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SUBJECT: REPORT ON AMSPEC ROBERT BAUER

1. AMSPEC ROBERT A. BAUER OF KENYON COLLEGE ADVANCED ACHIEVEMENT OF ALL THREE POST OBJECTIVES DURING JANUARY 22-28 COMMUNICATIONS SEMINAR: FOREIGN PLOICY AND HUMAN RIGHTS; ECONOMIC POLICY AND AMERICAN SOCIETY. HIS TOPICS WERE: THE ROLE OF THE PRESS IN DEVELOPMENT; PUBLIC OPINION AND GOVERNMENT DECISION-MAKING AND A CONCLUDING ROUND TABLE ON THE FUTURE OF THE PRESS IN HAITI. HE ALSO SPOKE AT HAITIAN-AMERICAN INSTITUTE'S ECONOMICS GROUP ON THE INTERACTION OF ECONOMICS AND FOREIGN POLICY.

2. THE SEMINAR PROVIDED THE FIRST FORUM FOR A DEBATE OF ISSUES RELATED TO FREEDOM OF THE PRESS SINCE ANYONE CAN REMEMBER. MEDIA GAVE VERY WIDESPREAD COVERAGE TO THE SEMINAR AND THROUGH ITS MULTIPLIER EFFECT BROUGHT OUR MESSAGE TO THE VAST MAJORITY OF POST PRIORITY AND SECONDARY AUDIENCES. NEXT WEEKEND OFFICIAL DAILY WILL CARRY TEXT OF PAO'S ADDRESS ON THIRD WORLD NEWS AGENCIES. THE SEMINAR BECAME THE TALK OF THE TOWN FOR THE WHOLE WEEK. NUMEROUS QUESTIONS WERE RAISED AND ENTHUSIASM GENERATED WHICH MAY LEAD TO FURTHER ROUND TABLES UNDER BNC AUSPICES.

3. PROF. BAUER HAS EXCELLENT FRENCH, IS WITTY, THOROUGH,
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CHARMING AND TO THE POINT. HE WAS WELL RECEIVED BY ALL. BAUER IS VERSATILE, ENGAGING SPEAKER WHO COULD SPEAK ON BROAD RANGE OF ISSUES IN CARIBBEAN. SUGGEST HE BE CONSIDERED FOR FUTURE COORDINATED PROGRAMS IN HAITI, JAMAICA, TRINIDAD, GUYANA.
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